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For guidance of DCR

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BASIC READING REQUIREMENTS

GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH AREA

I. Subject Requirements

A. Physical geography (all countries except United States)

1. Terrain
2. Drainage
3. Vegetation
4. Soils
5. Geology
6. Climate
7. Oceanography

B. Cultural geography (all countries except United States)

1. Transportation
2. Telecommunications
3. Industry
4. Resources
5. Power
6. Agriculture and forestry
7. Cities, towns, and ports
8. Utilities
9. Military districts, installations, and mobile equipment
(tanks, trucks, artillery)
10. Government particularly structure, areal organization, boundaries,
territorial claims.

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11. Population
 12. Sociology and Ethnography
 13. Developmental plans and programs
 14. Trade
- C. Maps and mapping (all countries)
1. Maps and atlases
 2. Basic surveys
 3. Geodesy - such as mapping control points, triangulation nets, gravity data
 4. Organizations and programs
 5. Personalities
 6. Methods
 7. Place names - such as gazetteers, transliteration, name changes
 8. Map collections and procurement facilities
- D. Photo intelligence (all countries)
1. Mission review reports
 2. Aerial surveys
 3. Equipment
 4. Methods and Techniques
 5. Photogrammetry
- E. Cartography (all countries)
1. Projections
 2. Equipment and materials
 3. Techniques and training
 4. Programming

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E. Cartography (all countries) cont'd

5. Organizations
6. Personalities
7. Reproduction processes
8. Statistical presentations
9. Expeditions and explorations

II. Special Documentary Requirements

- A. All maps, atlases and gazetteers--include all reports to which maps were attached, even if they do not accompany the copy in hand.
- B. Area studies
- C. Economic studies
- D. Regional planning documents
- E. Censuses and statistical compendia
- F. Pilot Handbooks, sea and air; sailing directions
- G. Place name lists
- H. Photo coverage reports
- I. Interrogation reports
- J. Telephone directories
- K. Yearbooks
- L. Timetables
- M. Foreign area studies by private organizations or commercial companies
- N. Map catalogs, indexes, and accessions lists
- O. All documents related to the Arctic, Antarctic, and the International Geophysical Year (IGY)

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